

INTEGRATED TELEPHONY AND VIDEO SYSTEM

Abstract of the Disclosure

5 An integrated telephony and video system allows a viewer of a program to selectively
accept a telephone call based on caller identification information and automatically buffer the
program upon acceptance of the call. When the call is terminated, the buffered program is
played from the point of interruption until the buffered program is the same as the real-time
program. The system may store data about the call, such as the caller identification
information and length of the call. Such data may be used to determine a compression
10 format for the buffered program. Such data may also be used to generate a list of callers for
whom the user desires to be interrupted while viewing the program.